

ED. MEERS IS DEAD.

Relatives Think He was
Drugged and Robbed.

SAY IT WAS NOT SUICIDE.

The Physician Says That He Had Evidently Taken Large Quantities of Bella Donna and Hyoscyamus—Died in Convulsions at 6:30 Thursday.

NAVARRE, April 6.—Edward Meers, who lay in a stupor at the local hotel since last Sunday night, died at 6:30 o'clock Thursday night. The body was taken to Steubenville, the home of the deceased, for burial, today. William Meers, of New Castle, Pa., a brother of the deceased, and R. S. Hill, a brother-in-law, were with Meers when death occurred. At no time did Meers recover consciousness sufficiently to talk with those about him.

The physicians who attended Meers says that death was due to inflammation of the brain, caused by an overdose of a narcotic. Meers died in convulsions. From the action of the poison, it is thought that it was a mixture of bella donna and hyoscyamus. Meers had been drinking heavily for six or eight weeks past, and it is believed that the drugs were administered him in his drink for the purpose of making robbery easy at Canton, where he had been for several days before coming to Navarre. Meers was undoubtedly on his way to Steubenville when he came to Navarre. He should have changed cars here. He seemed much dazed, however, and stood at the station till his train had gone. At the hotel he left a call for 7 o'clock Monday morning.

Meers, according to statements of his relatives, usually carried a large sum of money. When he arrived at Navarre he had twenty-nine dollars, a gold watch and a revolver. The drug which caused his death was just beginning to work on him when he reached Navarre. His relatives will not admit that the poison had been taken with suicidal intent. They say he was drugged and robbed, the thieves, who did not intend that he should die, leaving some of his valuables with him so as not to arouse his suspicions when he should awake. The physician states, however, that if Meers was robbed it was before he was drugged, for once the poison began to take effect there would have been no arousal.

Meers was the son of a one-time millionaire. His father, now deceased, was a wholesale liquor dealer, and lost most of his money during the panic. After his death the property left was divided among the children. Edward Meers had no business, other than that of spending the portion of the estate which fell to him.

IN FAVOR OF BUTTERINE.

Assembly Says it Blocks a Trust and Gives Men Work.

Forty delegates attended the Thursday evening meeting of the Trades and Labor Assembly. President Peter Smith was in the chair. C. H. Daniels, an employee of The Independent Company, was installed as a representative of the Massillon typographical union.

The secretary was instructed to ask Senators Hanna and Foraker and Representative Taylor, by letter, to assist in the defeat of bills making the manufacture of butterine unlawful. The opinion prevailed that the bill is a part of a plan of a trust to control the farm products. It is claimed that this cannot be done while butterine can be sold. Besides, the cessation of the manufacture of butterine would bring with it a loss of employment to 1,500 men.

The Assembly also declared itself opposed to any measures granting land privileges to corporations or aliens, and the secretary was instructed to notify the congressmen of this fact.

A committee was appointed to work among local merchants to influence them in favor of union made cigars.

The reports of delegates showed local labor conditions to be in excellent condition.

BOOM IN W. & L. E. STOCK.

Rumors of a Deal With the Wabash are Still Current.

Within the last few days the stock of the W. & L. E. has been on the boom. The stock has been considerably in demand and the exchange of it has been heavier than since the reorganization of the property. By many this is attributed to the rumor that has been flying about a combination being formed between the Wheeling and the Wabash. The fact that the Wabash is to absorb and operate the Wheeling has given the latter road a standing which it would be impossible for a small road to have without such a support. This has given a new impetus to the Wabash rumor. Mr. Ramsay, general manager of the Wabash, has taken occasion to say that he knows nothing of such a deal, which railroad men think altogether natural, since such a combination would be worked through by the Goulds and the other financiers who are behind the Wabash property. Yesterday afternoon Robert Blickensderfer went to New York to attend a conference, it is said, and the belief is that some matters touching the future of the Wheeling will be brought up.—Cleveland Leader.

A CLASS CONFIRMED.

Bishop Leonard Pays Tribute to the Memory of an Old Parishioner.

The Rt. Rev. W. A. Leonard, bishop of Ohio, confirmed a class and preached the sermon before a large congregation at the evening service at St. Timothy's church on Thursday evening. A tribute paid to the memory of the late Mrs. Susan Kachler preceded the delivery of the sermon. The bishop spoke of the patience and simplicity which had characterized the life of one of the oldest members of St. Timothy's congregation, of her kind deeds which had brightened many lives and of her perfect faith in God which had supported her in trouble and been an example to those whose privilege it had been to know her best. The sermon following was founded upon that passage in the New Testament where Christ refers to his deepest wounds as those inflicted in the houses of his friends, the bishop dwelling upon the indifference and carelessness of things spiritual among Christian men and women, and of the advantages of applying the teachings of the church in daily and practical life.

Bishop Leonard returned to Cleveland Friday morning.

NEW OPERA HOUSE.

Much Talk About One for Massillon.

THE SITE IS SELECTED

All the Property Between C. L. McClain's Building and Tremont Street Purchased—Mr. Burd, Who Has the Matter in Hand, Says "Wait Till Fall."

"You'll learn lots before the year is out. I have nothing to say at present. Wait until fall." This was the reply S. Burd, real estate dealer, made to an inquiry as to whether or not his buying all the South Erie street property between C. L. McClain & Company's block and Tremont street meant a new opera house and one of the largest and handsomest business buildings in Stark county. J. W. McClymonds owns the property at the corner of Tremont and Erie streets, and there is a rumor that he is behind the movement which is represented by Mr. Burd. Mr. McClymonds stated this morning, however, that he knew nothing about plans for a new opera house or any other kind of a house.

It is known that the Schworm, William and Porter properties, which lie between the McClain building and Mr. McClymonds' vacant lot, have been sold to Mr. Burd or whoever he represents. Mr. Porter, whose building is of frame, will move the structure from its present location within thirty days. The Schworm and William properties will stand as they are. On the first floor of the two buildings are the Crone store and Mr. William's undertaking establishment. On the second are the Ridgway-Burton Company's office and Mr. William's framing department. The G. A. R. hall is on the third. All property bounded by Erie street, Tremont street, the canal and the McClain property are now said to be in the hands of one man.

WILL FIGHT IT OUT.

Attorney Eggert Claims That He Did Not Hunt Ducks Out of Season.

The preliminary hearing of George B. Eggert, of Massillon, who appeared before Justice Calmelat, of Canton, on Thursday afternoon, to answer to a charge of unlawfully hunting ducks, preferred by Game Warden Dangelaisen, has been set for Monday afternoon. Mr. Eggert stated this afternoon that he would fight the case to the end. Mr. Eggert's offense is said to have been committed on Monday, March 26. The game laws protect the ducks on that day of the week. "I think I am reasonably conversant with the game laws," said Mr. Eggert, "inasmuch as I have been something of a hunter for years. I admit that I went hunting on the day in question. I did not go clandestinely, but took the street car in broad daylight and returned in the daytime. Furthermore, I remarked in the presence of Mr. Dangelaisen, the day following, that I had been hunting the day previous. I do deny, however, that I hunted ducks or any other game that is out of season, and expect to produce proof to that effect. The game laws will show that there were six birds in season on that day, and I was confining myself to a purely legitimate sport. I have followed hunting, as I have said before, for many years, for motives of health, perhaps, more than others. I will fight the case to the end."

NO HOPE FOR HIM.

Unconscious Man at Navarre Hotel Thought to be Dying.

NAVARRE, April 5.—Edward Meers, of Steubenville, who has been lying in a stupor at the hotel here since Monday, is thought to be dying. He is totally unconscious practically all of the time. The second day of his unconsciousness, Dr. Sheller succeeded in bringing him to at different periods for a few minutes each time. He accepted nourishment during these semi-conscious moments. During the last several days, however, he has taken very little nourishment. It is learned today that Meers is a single man. He is 53 years old.

THEIR CHIEF HERE.

The Assistants Meet the State Inspector.

CONFERENCE AT CONRAD.

Previous to the Meeting of Chief Haseltine and His Staff, He and M. D. Ratchford Have a Long Talk—Says the Massillon Man Knows About the Future.

R. M. Haseltine, of Columbus, state inspector of mines, was at the Hotel Conrad over night, leaving Thursday for Steubenville. Mr. Haseltine conferred with W. K. Moore, of North Lawrence, mine inspector of this district, and Reese Davis, of East Palestine, inspector for that district, while here. They reported conditions to him, and were given instructions concerning certain matters. He will meet other assistants at Steubenville. Mr. Haseltine says official business alone brought him to Massillon, though official business was the topic of his long talk with M. D. Ratchford, of the national industrial commission, who is said to be in line for a state plum.

Mr. Haseltine has been inspector for twelve years, and the story of a change this year does not seem well founded, though Mr. Haseltine has not that air of sanginity that usually characterizes the officeholder with the "cinch." His uncertainty of the future was expressed in his reply to an inquiry as to what changes, if any, would likely be made in his department. "My friend Ratchford," said he, "I think can give me cards and spades, and beat me out in guessing what is to happen."

Mr. Ratchford, however, modestly declared that he could do no such thing. Inspector Haseltine is familiar with the history and conditions prevailing in all the mining districts of the state. He has made personal inspections of most of the important mines. "And nowhere," remarked he today, "do I find mines in better condition than in the Massillon district. The operators of this district get out a greater percentage of the coal in the ground than those of any other district. They know that all of the territory is not underlaid with coal and that the vein is often thin. To produce this coal the works must be kept up in the best manner possible, and they accordingly spare nothing to have this done. The mines of the state, taken altogether, are in satisfactory condition. Of course, it is with a mine just as it is with anything else. Your shoes may be new and perfect today. Snag them, and they'll still be new, but not in such good condition. A mine when last inspected may have been all that could be desired. Today it may be lacking in some of the essential features."

STOUT'S NEW POSITION.

General Manager of the T. F. & N. Electric Road.

Following the announcement by the Toledo Blade that Superintendent Stout was to assume the management of an electric road, comes the following from the Cleveland Leader:

"There is now no doubt as to the future position to be held by F. J. Stout, at present on a leave of absence as the general superintendent of the W. & L. E. Railroad. When it was announced that Mr. Stout was to be given a leave of absence, it was thought that he had other fish to fry and that his resignation would soon be announced. Reports were at first conflicting, some holding that he was going West, and others that he was simply away for the time being to rest up. On Thursday the report came from Fremont that Mr. Stout was to have become the general manager of the Toledo, Fremont & Norwalk Electric Railway. Yesterday another advice came from the same quarter that the rumor of the previous day had been confirmed by Mr. Stout himself, who admitted that he is to move his family at once to Fremont and take charge of the property. At the general offices of the Wheeling yesterday they would say nothing of the report, other than that it was a pretty close guess. In his new post Mr. Stout will be running a suburban line that will come directly in competition with the Wheeling, which he has served for some time in the capacity of general superintendent."

A telegram confirming the rumors in circulation concerning Mr. Stout's appointment as general manager of the Toledo, Fremont & Norwalk electric railway, was received by Massillon friends on Friday. The road is sixty-two miles in length, and portions are yet in course of construction. Mr. Stout had the position in view at the time of the consolidation of the W. & L. E. and C. C. & S. He accepted the superintendency of the system only after informing Mr. Blickensderfer of the negotiations to which he had been a party, and informing him of his intention to resign about April 1. His friends were aware of the fact that he was to accept the new position, which is said to be much more lucrative than his old one, but refrained from violently denying the malicious rumors published as to his discharge at the request of Mr. Stout, who wished nothing said until all his arrangements had been completed.

Wall paper rush continues at Koons's anti-trust wall paper store. "The price tells."

MT. EATON'S GHOST.

Tis Said to Make Weekly Visits to a Certain Home.

MT. EATON, April 5.—If reports belie not this vicinity is the possessor of a real live ghost. The scene of its nocturnal wanderings is said to be confined to the premises and house occupied by a family named Miller, several miles south of this place. The ghost, which resembles a woman in appearance, made its first visit some time ago, and has never been seen on any other than Saturday nights. Its favorite diversion seems to be in rattling kitchen utensils at unearthly hours of the night, as if it were engaged in culinary preparations.

TO MOVE AT ONCE.

Coxey Plant in Operation in Three Months.

THE MT. VERNON DEAL.

Mr. Coxey Says he had no Negotiations with that City When he Made a Proposition to Massillon Board—Has Selected a Site, and is Ready to Ship the Plant.

J. S. Coxey stated today that he expects to have his steel casting plant in operation at Mt. Vernon within three months. "I should prefer Massillon to any other place," said Mr. Coxey, Thursday morning, "but the offer I was made by the Mt. Vernon board of trade was much better than that of Massillon. In my letter to the Massillon board I stated that I desired a reply as to whether or not the proper arrangements could be made for locating the plant here on or before last Friday. I did not receive a reply at that time. I felt perfectly free to act in the matter. In Mt. Vernon, \$5,000 was subscribed in less than a day. In Massillon more than a week was required to raise \$4,000. That's the difference between the two towns."

"When I sent my letter to the Massillon board of trade, negotiations between the Mt. Vernon board of trade and myself were not in progress. By the merest chance I met H. N. Hill, of the seminary and military school at Gambier, and also connected with Mt. Vernon and other financial institutions, on a train last Friday. He asked me if I could be induced to locate my steel works any place other than Massillon. I told him the kind of proposition I would accept from Mt. Vernon. On last Monday I visited that city. Later I appeared before their board of trade. At 10 o'clock Thursday morning they began soliciting subscriptions. At 7 o'clock last evening the entire \$5,000 had been raised. Negotiations were closed. I have obtained an option on twenty-five acres of land near Mt. Vernon as a site for the plant, and as soon as the switches are constructed to the site, will ship there the machinery and everything else that goes with the plant, all of which is now at Pauls' and at the bridge shop."

The members of the board of trade are naturally somewhat disappointed that their work of the past two weeks should now come to naught. They have secured subscriptions for \$4,000 and have practically completed arrangements for the right of way for the switch to the John Paul property, where Mr. Coxey proposed to locate his works.

"Mr. Coxey is looking after his own interests," said W. F. Ricks, president of the board, "this morning, and not those of the board of trade or the city of Massillon. He received a better offer from Mt. Vernon than from Massillon, and he naturally accepted it."

Mt. Vernon is to pay Mr. Coxey a bonus of \$5,000, and the Dime Savings bank is to issue \$100,000 worth of bonds, to be secured by a mortgage on Mr. Coxey's plant.

The Massillon board of trade, when Mr. Coxey made his first proposition, felt that a bond issue of this kind could not be made in Massillon, though Mr. Coxey was hopeful that he would succeed independently of the board.

THE REPORT CONFIRMED.

R. McMasters will be the New Superintendent of the Toledo Division.

Advices from the Canton offices of the W. & L. E. confirm as true, Thursday's report that R. McMasters had been appointed superintendent of the Toledo division of the W. & L. E., to succeed J. N. Merwin. Mr. Merwin will take the position of assistant general freight and passenger agent, which is regarded among railway men as a promotion, inasmuch as its duties are less onerous than those of the superintendency, which he vacates, and as the position is a more lucrative one. The change, it is thought, will take effect about April 15.

A MAGNOLIA FIRE.

Canton People are the Losers by \$20,000 Wednesday Evening.

MAGNOLIA, April 5.—The plant of the Beatty Fire Clay Brick Company at this place caught fire in some unknown manner at 7 o'clock on Wednesday evening, and was burned to the ground. The loss will amount to \$20,000; covered by \$10,000 insurance. The plant was owned and operated by a company of Cantonians, of which John Monnot was president and J. J. Whittaker, secretary.

Women love a clear, healthy complexion. Pure blood makes it. Burdock Blood Bitters makes pure blood.

COUNTY SEAT NEWS

A Massillon Divorce Petition Filed.

SMALL POX ON INCREASE.

Authorities Taking all Possible Precaution—An Injunction Granted Against the City of Canton and Others—The Henderson Motion.

CANTON, April 7.—The small pox conditions in this city are assuming a most alarming aspect. This morning it is said eight persons are now down with the disease. All are under quarantine, and all persons giving evidence of being afflicted with the disease are being removed to the pest house. Among those taken down with what is supposed to be small pox, are Philip Aikens, Jr., and a young man named Newstetter, who formerly resided in Massillon. Drs. Schilling and Rizer are also under quarantine. The health authorities charge that they attended persons afflicted with the disease without reporting the same. The physicians are also said to have passed to and fro, attending other patients, without taking sanitary precautions in regard to changing their clothing.

The condition of Judge George E. Baldwin was much improved this morning, and it is confidently expected that he will be able to be in the court room on Monday morning, when arguments on the motion of his client, William Henderson, for a new trial will be heard and the motion passed upon by Judge McCarty. Should the motion be granted, Henderson will again be in jeopardy of his life. Many are inclined to think that his action in insisting on a new trial is unwise, asserting that another jury might hold entirely different views on the question of purpose, which was the bone of contention in the argument of the attorneys, and return a verdict of first degree murder.

S. De Witt Chapman, on behalf of the city of Canton, filed a petition in common pleas court, at 8:30 Saturday morning, asking for a temporary injunction against the city council of Canton and John Hadley, restraining the latter from proceeding with certain improvements, for which he was awarded the contract by the former body. He also petitions for a permanent injunction on the final hearing of the case. Judge McCarty granted the temporary injunction.

Jennie Fisher, through her attorneys, Willison & Day, has instituted divorce proceedings against Henry Fisher. They live on a small farm near Sippo. In her petition she says they were married in 1884 and have two children. For several years the husband has been guilty of extreme cruelty and neglect. Plaintiff declares the defendant stays at saloons nights until a late hour, and compels her to leave her bed and put the horse in the barn for him; furthermore, she avers that she has had to do heavy farm work, feed the stock, etc., and that defendant squanders the money resulting from her labor in drink. She asks for divorce, custody of the children and alimony. Judge McCarty issued an order restraining the defendant from disposing of any of the property till the case is heard.

Inventory has been filed in the guardianship of Clarence and Homer Parks, of Bethlehem township.

Inventory has been filed in the guardianship of Horace S. Grant, of Bethlehem township.

Final account has been filed in the estate of Gertrude Martin, of Massillon.

John A. Graham, Republican candidate for constable in Perry township, in his filed expenditure account, says that it cost him \$19 to secure his election.

Will has been filed for probate and a commission to take the depositions of witnesses ordered, in the estate of E. O. Boughman, of Sugar Creek township.

The first account has been filed in the guardianship of Mary and Catherine Briteman, of Bethlehem township.

A marriage license has been granted to Arba Roberts and Martha Wilson, of Massillon.

The sale of sundry tracts of real estate has been confirmed and deed ordered in the estate of P. G. Albright, of Massillon.

The private sale of lands has been ordered in the estate of Enos Whitmer, of Bethlehem township.

John A. Shoemaker has been appointed the guardian of Grace Routson, of Massillon.

The sale account has been filed in the guardianship of Henry Martin, of Lawrence township.

The application to probate will has been continued in the estate of John Poorman, of Tuscarawas township.

CANTON, April 7.—The following is Clerk Casselman's twelfth assignment of cases for the January term of common pleas court, to be tried before Judge McCarty next week:

Monday, April 9.—Hearing motion docket. Hawley Down Draft Furnace Co. vs. Oby & Co.; Trump vs. Trump's Ex'r.

Tuesday—Scott vs. Mullins; Johnson vs. Dangelaisen; Richard's adm'r vs. Pointz et al.

Wednesday—King's guard, vs. Miller et al.; Fife vs. city of Canton; Kauffman vs. Gibbons et al.

Thursday—Dannemiller & Sons vs. Leonard & Son; Naebke vs. Naebke; Williams vs. Jones et al.

Friday—Piero vs. Canton Buggy & Gear Co. et al.; Langenbach vs. Canton Cycle Mfg. Co. et al.; Bailey vs. Bailey; Madison vs. Madison; Whisler vs. Whisler.

Saturday—Call of trial docket at 8:30 a. m.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Z. T. Shoemaker to Thomas Kay, part lot 954, first ward, Massillon, \$1,400.

Marion C. Smith to P. M. Zintmaster, lot 2, 142, first ward, Massillon, \$400.

S. Burd to Mrs. Irene Hardy, part lot 95, second ward, Massillon, \$1,350.

S. A. Conrad to Aaron Rubright, part lot 610, second ward, Massillon, \$1,200.

P. G. Albright to Laura Showalter, lot 1, 872, second ward, Massillon, \$125.

J. C. Geis to William H. Geis, part lot 1, 174, third ward, Massillon, \$1.

Eva Paul to Lester L. Nave, part lot 269, third ward Massillon, \$2,500.

Henry C. Scholder to Mary E. McMillan, part lot 277, fourth ward, Massillon, \$210.

Allen & Crawford to R. B. and E. Crawford, part lot 60, fourth ward, Massillon.

Allen & Crawford to W. H. Allen et al., parts lot 60, fourth ward, Massillon.

Jacob F. Geitz to Guardian Trust Company, 40-100 acres, Bethlehem township, \$500.

Daniel Wolf to Louis and James Eckroate, lot 279, Navarre, \$600.

John Melin to A. and C. Brockman, 2 acres, Bethlehem township, \$250.

Edwin S. Miller to N. C. Oberlin, 1 acre, Tuscarawas township, \$1.

John McGinnis to James Crichton, lot 2, West Brookfield, \$150.

Jacob Eggert to Godfrey Graber, 17-2-100 acres, Tuscarawas township, \$1,065.

Mary Blantz to Louis Basler, 59-100 acres, Tuscarawas township, \$1,000.

John Stansbury to George Kreichbaum, 10 acres, Perry township, \$1,950.

John A. Black to Jeremiah P. Bailey, 70-28-100, Perry township, \$4,900.

John F. Ricker to Valentine Heck, lot 14, Kracker's addition to Massillon, \$1,050.

John Thompson to Upton Deal, parts of lots 59, 60 and 85, Wilmot, for \$700.

Andrew Reese to Seymour Agler, parts of lots 20, 21 and 23, Wilmot, \$75.

Alfred Baltzy to Frank L. Palm, 1 acre, Sugar Creek township, \$150.

Louisa Strawhecker to George W. Strawhecker, 20 acres, Jackson township, \$500.

Clark Sheller to David Braucher, 80 acres, Jackson township, \$4,100.

Moses Clay to Martin Nist, 88 acres, 6-27-100 acres and 5-73-100 acres, Jackson township, \$6,000.

Leopold J. Dunn to Daniel Levers, 23-94-100 acres, Lawrence township \$1,000.

FILIPPINOS ARE SPRINTERS.

James A. Corey Says it is Hard to Get a Shot at Them.

The following letter from James A. Corey, a soldier in the Philippines, received by his brother, Charles Corey, will be read by with interest by the many Massillon acquaintances of the writer:

SORSOGON, P. I., Feb. 11, 1900.

DEAR BROTHER: This is Sunday afternoon, and I have a little time to myself again. Sunday afternoon is about the only time I have to myself. I have been in the kitchen ever since I left New York, except when going out scouting, and that means work from reveille to taps, every day. But I have to keep myself busy to keep well, for I feel the Cuban malaria in my bones quite strong, and work is all that can keep it down on me.

It's mighty hot here, and for the last two weeks it has rained every day. On January 15th I enjoyed a piece of Christmas cake, sent from Massillon to Chas. Seiberger (Oertel). I ate dinner with him, Emerson Benner and Clauss and Sefong, all of Massillon. They are in the Sixth artillery, doing custom house duty in Manila. While we have done very little shooting, our regiment has done more service for the government than any other in the islands. Nell Lape, one of the boys who left Canton with me, is about to be discharged for disability. We all congratulate him for being able to get out of such a corrupt organization as this, for it certainly is the worst regiment I ever saw or heard about. Friday, February 6th, we were hurriedly called to arms, and started out in a body to capture or disband a force of Bolo Pillies. After climbing mountains, wading streams, etc., for five hours, we lost the niggers, who are better sprinters than we are, and as is always the case, all we could do was to occasionally see one or two beating their way through a rice paddy or a banana grove, and going as no white man can in this country, much to our amusement.

I had just been relieved from guard duty when we were called out, and on return, at about 10 p. m., I went on again for twenty-four hours, and was given the patrol guard, which has to run the streets from all corners, and being wet through and tired from the march, I could not enjoy the work very well. At 3 a. m. we slipped into the guard house unnoticed and took a rest as best we could, being wet, muddy and miserable. You can talk as you want, but when you get a shot at one of these niggers you can bet you earn it. Well, Charles, as I know of nothing else to write, I will close, with my love and best wishes to all.

Your brother,

JAMES A. COREY.

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MONDAY, APRIL 9, 1900.

It is too soon to judge of the political effects of Queen Victoria's visit to Ireland. Dispatches indicate that there will probably be strong language from the irreconcilables with a view to minimizing as far as possible the pacification which the Queen's splendid welcome is likely to exert. Much depends upon the attitude of the ultra royalists. Any exultation or other indiscretions on their part will quickly undo all that the Queen and her advisers have endeavored to accomplish.

Coxey is negotiating for the issue of one hundred thousand dollars' worth of bonds to secure money for the erection of a steel plant, and he has forgotten to stipulate that they shall be non-interest bearing. Coxey appears to have decided to keep of the financial grass—Cleveland Leader.

And anyway "good roads" nowadays from the Coxey standpoint are those that afford the best and nearest shipping facilities for the productions of the Coxey plants. Thus are the interests of Populism lost in those of the plutocracy.

The man who attempted to assassinate the Prince of Wales at Brussels on Wednesday was one of the half crazy individuals who roam about the capitals of Europe seeking to destroy the class they hate by picking off its most prominent representatives. The statement of the would-be murderer that he wanted to kill the prince because of his responsibility for the bloodshed in South Africa was a clever attempt to excite public sympathy. Easy-going Albert Edward is the last man to be held accountable for the doings of the British government.

It is not likely that the British will continue their complaint that the Boers are using expanding bullets. Official records have established the fact that several millions of the bullets were sent out to South Africa just before the war and that the British government alone is responsible for these cartridges being in the hands of the Boers. On July 10, 1899, Mr. Wyndham, the under secretary of state for war, said: "Cartridges with Mark IV. ammunition are being manufactured at Woolwich, and a supply of this ammunition has been sent to South Africa."

Miners of the Massillon district have acted wisely in deciding to hold regular monthly meetings for the discussion of matters of interest pertaining to their craft and in electing every fourth Saturday for this purpose. As is stated elsewhere, other labor organizations have no regular day or place for holding meetings of this character, and when it is necessary for them to come together the time is likely to be set for Sunday or at night. Many laboring men object to leaving their families in the evening and many more do not like to attend business meetings on Sunday. The plan of the Massillon district miners, therefore, will probably give general satisfaction and may possibly be adopted by other similar organizations.

Antonio Torres, a Mexican citizen charged with committing a murder in Texas, has been surrendered to the Texas authorities by the Mexican government. This action is important, the case being the first arising under the new extradition treaty between Mexico and the United States in which a Mexican citizen has been surrendered to the United States by his own government. The treaty provided that where a citizen of either country is charged with a crime in the other, the president of the country in which he is a citizen and in which he is a prisoner may in his discretion surrender him to the other country. The first case under the treaty was that of Mrs. Rich, who fled to Texas after killing her husband in Mexico. Mexico asked for her extradition and President McKinley granted the request. Under the old treaty Mexicans who committed crimes in the United States were safe from punishment when they reached the Mexican side of the border.

MANEUVERS OF MRS. DEWEY.

The correspondence of William E. Curtis in the Chicago Record indicates that Admiral Dewey in announcing his candidacy for the presidency is as innocent of intrigue as a nursing child and that his wife alone is responsible for his candidacy. Mr. Curtis says:

"Both of them (the admiral and Mrs. Dewey) are so ignorant of political methods and our system of government that until yesterday they supposed the people could walk up to the polls and vote directly for George Dewey for president of the United States. It is also said that Mrs. Dewey, in planning this great political maneuver, visited a lady relative of Theodore Roosevelt now in this city and requested her to arrange with him to take the second place on the ticket."

et. Mrs. Dewey was laboring under a delusion that they needed only to distribute tickets with the names of Dewey and Roosevelt for president and vice president printed upon them, and the people would do the rest. Neither she nor the admiral has ever considered conventions, campaign committees, electoral colleges or anything else of that kind, and they were a good deal surprised when the machinery of a presidential election was explained to them last night. One of the admiral's friends told him frankly that George Francis Train was the only man who ever before nominated himself for president of the United States."

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Puerto Rican tariff bills means that some of the syndicates which have been buying up products from that island will be compelled to contribute something to the improvement of the island. They would have had a snap under free trade. And if free trade had been enacted the cry would have gone up that it was to benefit the speculators who have been buying up products and privileges there.—Cedar Rapids (Iowa) Republican.

The practical side of the Puerto Rican tariff question is clearly worth considering, and the bill now before congress is eminently a recognition of the fact that it is a condition and not a theory which confronts us as to our productive little island to the southeast.—Louisville (Ky.) Commercial.

Despite the fact that disaffection over the administration's Puerto Rico programme is declared by numerous journals of many shades of politics to be intense: that the outcry against imperialism is at its highest pitch and that the denunciation of "trusts" was never more severe. Republicans whose duty took them to the polls within the last two days voted the Republican ticket with general unanimity. Election contests of this nature cannot always be taken as expressions of opinion on national topics; but in the elections just held the voters divided on regular party lines to an extent rarely known before. It is a matter of no small moment, therefore, that in those very parts of the country where this alleged discontent with Republican policy is said to exist in peculiar strength, Republican victories or gains were recorded.—New York Sun.

Many of the Democrats who do not like Bryan because he stands for silver are with him in his opposition to expansion. How can George Dewey hope to get the support of such sound money men? Can he pose as an opponent of the widening of national possessions which was brought about largely by his own victory? His fame rests on the action which threw the problem of the Philippines upon the American people.—Cleveland Leader.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know It.

How To Find Out.

Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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Thos. W. Carter, of Ashboro, N. C., had kidney trouble and one bottle of Foley's Kidney Cure effected a perfect cure, and he says there is no other remedy that will compare with it. Accept no substitute. Rider & Snyder.

Every family should have its household medicine chest, and the first bottle in it should be Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, nature's remedy for coughs and colds.

H. Clark, Chauncey, Ga., says DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured him of piles that had afflicted him for twenty years. It is also a speedy cure for skin diseases. Beware of dangerous counterfeits. Rider & Snyder and Chas. W. Cupples, 139 W. Tremont.

W. Mayhew, Merton, Wis., says, "I consider One Minute Cough Cure a most wonderful medicine, quick and safe." It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. It cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe, whooping cough, pneumonia and all throat and lung diseases. Its early use prevents consumption. Children always like it and mothers endorse it. Rider & Snyder and C. W. Cupples, 139 West Tremont street.

TAYLER AND HILL.

The County Goes Strongly for Both.

THE TOWN AND TOWNSHIP.

Fifteen of the Sixteen Delegates Elected in Massillon and the Township are for Tayler, Who Has More Than 80 in All—Mannweiler and Shauf Win for Committeemen.

The Republican primary election in Stark county on Saturday resulted in the election of more than enough favorable delegates to insure the nomination of Congressman R. W. Tayler on the first ballot. Of Stark's 108 delegates, Tayler needed 70. He received at least 80. In Massillon and Perry township fifteen of the sixteen delegates elected are for Tayler. The only Baker man is William Smith, of precinct B, second ward. It is said that the precinct is strong for Tayler, but that, through a misunderstanding, the name of but one Tayler man, J. H. Williams, was placed on the ticket, making the election of either a Baker or an unpledged man absolutely unavoidable. Following are the names of the Tayler delegates of the town and township: E. P. Edgar, H. F. Rider, C. O. Merwin, L. J. Kerrigan, Albert Ellis, Harry Segner, J. H. Williams, F. O. Humberger, J. E. Johns, L. A. Koons, Charles Remley, H. T. Beatty, R. J. Krisher, F. L. Doll and B. L. Ayres.

Harry H. Hill, of Canton, was nominated for county commissioner. The total vote for Massillon and Perry township is as follows: James Ackelson, 22; Martin Seacrist, 97; A. F. Ellett, 155; Harry H. Hill, 295; William Boory, 7; Ellis Lewis, 42; James Valley, 194; John S. Welker, 32; Hamilton Graham, 42; Johnson Hawkins, 7; Henry Hildenbille, 15; Henry Leonard, 114.

There were no contests for coroner, recorder, infirmity director, delegates to the judicial convention or delegates to the county convention.

In some precincts there were lively fights for central committeemen.

Following is the list of those elected: First ward, precinct A, L. P. Slusser; precinct B, Edward Jacoby; second ward, A. Albert Ellis; B. John Mannweiler; third ward A. H. B. Conrad, B. L. A. Koons; C. Gregory Davis; fourth ward, George Shauf; Massillon precinct, R. J. Krisher; Richville, B. L. Ayres.

THE VOTE BY WARDS.

Details of the Election in Massillon and Perry Township.

The total vote in the city and township Saturday was 1,133. The total vote of the city alone was 1,055. It will be seen by the following that in every precinct except B, of the second ward, the Tayler delegates ran far ahead of the Baker men. Where the names of certain commissioner candidates do not appear in what follows, it will be understood that they received no votes:

FIRST WARD.
For congressional candidates—Precinct A—E. P. Edgar, 166; H. F. Rider, 160; C. O. Merwin, 164; M. W. Oberlin, 66; John Dangler, 39; J. A. Shoemaker, 46.

Precinct B—L. J. Kerrigan, 70; James Killen, 39.
For county commissioner—Precinct A—Ackelson, 22; Seacrist, 22; Ellett, 35; Hill, 46; Boory, 2; Lewis, 7; Valley, 53; Welker, 6; Graham, 13; Hawkins, 2; Hildenbille, 3; Leonard, 20.

Precinct B—Ackelson, 2; Seacrist, 3; Ellett, 20; Hill, 36; Boory, 2; Lewis, 3; Valley, 21; Welker, 4; Graham, 2; Hawkins, 1; Leonard, 16.

SECOND WARD.
For congressional delegates, precinct A—Albert Ellis 76, Harry Segner 67; G. F. Breckel 33, Joseph Fals 16.

Precinct B—J. H. Williams 96, John Printz 35; William Smith 96, W. B. Martin 93.

For county commissioner, precinct A—Seacrist 12, Ellett 10, Hill 38, Boory 1, Lewis 3, Valley 27, Welker 2, Graham 3, Hildenbille 2, Leonard 17.

Precinct B—Ackelson 4, Seacrist 10, Ellett 15, Hill 99, Lewis 3, Valley 19, Welker 2, Graham 1, Leonard 20.

For committeeman—J. Mannweiler 122, F. Wagner 34.

THIRD WARD.
For congressional delegates, precinct A—F. O. Humberger 74, J. E. Johns 83. (No Baker men on ticket.)

Precinct B: L. A. Koons, 57. (No Baker men on ticket.)

Precinct C: Charles Remley 43, R. M. Reay 11.

For county commissioner, precinct A: Ackelson 9, Seacrist 18, Ellett 16, Lewis 25, Valley 3, Welker 9, Graham 1, Hawkins 4, Hildenbille 9, Leonard 14.

Precinct B: Ackelson 1, Seacrist 8, Ellett 11, Hill 20, Valley 26, Welker 3, Graham 1, Leonard 10.

Precinct C: Seacrist 9, Ellett 13, Valley 3, Welker 2, Leonard 11.

FOURTH WARD.
For congressional delegate—H. T. Beatty. (No Baker man on ticket.)

For county commissioner—Ackelson 3; Seacrist 10, Ellett 20, Hill 31, Lewis 1, Valley 25, Graham 9, Leonard 4.

For committeeman—G. H. Shauf 80, Charles Brownwell 27.

PERRY TOWNSHIP.
For congressional delegates—Massillon precinct—R. J. Krisher, 45; F. L. Doll, 43; William Welker, 5.

2; Graham, 9; Hawkins, 0; Hildenbille, 1; Leonard, 2.
Richville precinct—Ackelson, 1; Seacrist, 3; Ellett, 1; Hill, 1; Valley, 12; Welker, 2; Graham, 3.

ALL FOR TAYLER.
Canton Solid for the Man From Saloon.

CANTON, April 9.—All of the delegates elected here are for Tayler. Following is the city's vote for county commissioner: Ackelson, 95; Seacrist, 89; Ellett 24; Hill, 1028; Boory, 35; Lewis, 108; Valley, 139; Welker, 143; Graham, 215; Hawkins, 46; Hildenbille, 190; Leonard, 354.

ALLIANCE AND LEXINGTON.
Baker Gets 14 and Taylor 3 Delegates.

ALLIANCE, April 9.—Of Lexington township's quota of 17 delegates in the congressional convention C. C. Baker, of this city, received 14 and Congressman R. W. Tayler 3. The vote for county commissioner was divided. Hill ran well here.

A WARNING TO CHINA.
The Government Must Suppress the Society of Boxers.

LONDON, April 7.—[By Associated Press]—A special from Shanghai says the American, British, German and French ministers have sent a joint note to the Chinese foreign office saying that they would send troops into Shen Tsung and Chic Li provinces, if the government did not suppress the depredations of the society of "Boxers" within two months. The American, Italian and French legations now have naval guns at their respective quarters, sent from the fleet lying in the harbor at Taku.

CLOUDBURST IN TEXAS.
Colorado River Rose Eleven Feet in Three Hours.

AUSTIN, Tex., April 7.—[By Associated Press]—A cloudburst this morning caused the Colorado river to rise eleven feet in three hours, and it is still rising three feet an hour. A washed out bridge on the International & Northern railroad, seventeen miles north of here, wrecked the south bound St. Louis Cannon Ball train, and a number of persons are reported injured. The Austin & Northwestern lost four bridges. Great damage has already been done and more is feared.

WASHINGTON NEWS.
But Little Time For Debate on Tariff Bill.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—[By Associated Press]—The Republican managers of the House decided not to allow an extended debate on the Porto Rican tariff bill, but will have a vote in a few hours, under special rule. In the Senate, Richardson, of Tennessee, asked for unanimous consent for the consideration of a resolution of sympathy with the Boers, but Payne objected. The session after 1 p. m. was devoted to tributes to the memory of Richard Bland.

THE SCALE SIGNED.
The Bellaire District Miners and Operators Agree.

COLUMBUS, April 7.—[By Associated Press]—It is announced from the headquarters of the United Mine Workers that the miners and operators, at Bellaire, have adjusted all their difficulties. The Indianapolis scale has been signed, and outside laborers granted an advance of twenty per cent.

A. R. Bass, of Morgantown, Ind., had to get up ten or twelve times in the night, and had severe backache and pains in the kidneys. Was cured by Foley's Kidney Cure. It's guaranteed. Rider & Snyder.

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A. B. Farrington, Constata, N. Y., says: "I was troubled several years with kidney disease and suffered severe pains in the back. I used Foley's Kidney Cure and one bottle cured me. I recommend it to my friends. It has given perfect satisfaction." Rider & Snyder.

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ROBERT HARDY'S SEVEN DAYS

A DREAM AND ITS CONSEQUENCES.

By Rev. CHARLES M. SHELDON.

Author of "In His Steps," "The Crucifixion of Philip Strong," "Malcom Kirk," Etc.

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CHAPTER VII.

As the engine drew near the scene of the wreck a great crowd could be seen standing about the track. Before the train came to a stop Robert Hardy leaped down from the cab and struggled forward, uttering cries of which he himself probably was not conscious. The accident had occurred upon a bridge which spanned a small river in the vicinity of Baldwin, near which town Mr. Hardy's brother lived.

The engine, mail car, two day coaches and two sleepers had crashed through and, falling a distance of 50 feet, had partly broken through the ice of the frozen stream. To add to the horror of the disaster the two sleepers had caught fire, and there was absolutely no means to fight it. Mr. Hardy caught confused glimpses of men down on the ice throwing handfuls of snow upon the blazing timbers in a frantic attempt to drive back or put out the flames. He felt rather than saw the flames. He felt rather than saw the flames. He felt rather than saw the flames.

The baggage car and tender had fallen in such a way that the trucks rested upright on the ice, and the position of the timbers was relatively that of the train before it had left the track. One day coach lay upon its side, but had broken completely in two as if some giant hand had pulled it apart, leaving the ragged ends of timbers projecting toward one another in such curious fashion that if the two ends of the car had been pushed toward the middle the splintered beams would have fitted into place almost as if made on a pattern. The other day coach had fallen upon one end, and one-third of the entire coach was under water. The other end, resting partly against the broken car, stuck up in the air like some curious, fantastic pillar or leaning tower.

Mr. Hardy was conscious of all this and more as he heard the groans of the injured and the cries of those begging to be released from the timbers under which they had been caught. But his own children! Never had he loved them as now.

The crowd of people had increased to a mob. The confusion was that of terror. Mr. Hardy rushed about the wreck searching for his children, a great throbbing at his heart as he thought of their probable fate, when the sweetest of all sounds, Bessie's dear voice, came to him, and the next minute he had caught up the child as she ran to him and strained her to his breast as in the old days when he had carried her about the house and yard.

"Where are Will and Clara?"

"Oh, father, they're here, and Will wasn't hurt much more than I was, but Clara has fainted, and she is lying down over here!"

Bess dragged her father out across the ice to the edge of the bank, where a number of the victims had been laid on the cushions of the seats, some dead, some dying. There lay Clara very white and still, with Will bending over her, himself bleeding from several wounds about the head and hands, but still conscious and trying to restore his sister.

Mr. Hardy knelt down in the snow by his son's side, and Will, seeing him there, was not surprised, but he sobbed excitedly. "Oh, she is dead!"

"No," replied her father; "she is not." Clara stirred, and her lips moved, but she did not open her eyes, and then her father noticed that a strange mark lay over her face.

How Mr. Hardy succeeded in carrying the girl to the top of the bank; how he left her there in the care of brave hearted women while he went down into that hell's pit to rescue victims imprisoned and groaning for help; how Bess related the accident of the night and tried to explain how she was not hurt except a scratch or two, because she fell between two car seat cushions that were jammed around her and protected her from injury; how the excitement grew as it was discovered that the dead and dying would number more than 75 instead of 10 or 12, as Burns had telephoned; how finally Robert Hardy and Will and Bess and Clara, with other victims, were taken back to Barton, where a great crowd of anxious, pale faced people was surging through the station and over the track; how James Caxton was first to board the train down by the shops at the risk of his neck as in the rainy darkness he swung himself on the dead run up to the platform of the coach; how Mrs. Hardy met her children and husband; how there was sorrow in many a home in Barton that night and for many days to come; how Mr. Hardy finally, a little after midnight, entirely exhausted by the events of the day and night, fell asleep and dreamed the scene all over again—all this and a great deal more might be of interest concerning one of the most remarkable railroad accidents that ever occurred in this country, but would be out of place in this narrative. For it is all true, exactly and literally, only the detailed horrors of it no pen can describe, no words can tell.

Mr. Hardy woke about 8 o'clock rested, but feeling very lame and sore from his exertions of the night. His first thought was of Clara. When he went to sleep, the girl seemed to be resting without pain, only that strange mark across her face made them all anxious. It was not a bruise, but it lay like a brand across the eyes, which had not opened since her father found her lying by the frozen stream.

James had insisted on staying in the house to be of service, and Mrs. Hardy

had felt grateful for his presence as she watched for returning consciousness from Clara, who still gave no more sign of animation, although she breathed easily and seemed to be free from pain. Every doctor and surgeon in town had been summoned to the scene of the accident. But Mr. Hardy felt so anxious for Clara as he came in and looked at her that he went down stairs and asked James if he wouldn't run out and see if any of the doctors had returned.

"Yes, sir; I'll go at once. How is she now, Mr. Hardy?" James looked him in the face with the look that love means when it is true and brave.

"My boy," replied Mr. Hardy, laying his hand on James' shoulder, "I don't know. There is something strange about it. Get a doctor if you can. But I know there must be many other sad homes today in Barton. Oh, it was horrible!"

He sat down and covered his face, while James with a brief "God help us, sir!" went out in search of a doctor. Mr. Hardy went up stairs again and, with his wife, knelt down and offered a prayer of thanksgiving and of appeal. "O Lord," said Robert, "grant that this dear one of ours may be restored to us again. Spare us this anguish, not in return for our goodness, but out of thy great compassion for our sins repented of."

Will and Bess lay in the next room, and now that the reaction had set in they were sleeping. Will feverish and restless, Bess quiet and peaceful, as if nothing had happened out of the usual order of things.

"Where is George?" asked Mr. Hardy as he rose from his prayer.

"I don't know, Robert. He started down to the train a little while after you did. Haven't you seen him?"

"No, Mary. God grant he may not!" Mr. Hardy did not dare finish his thought aloud.

His wife guessed his thought, and together the two sat hand in hand, drawn very near by their mutual trouble and by all the strange events of that strange week, and together they talked of the accident and of Clara and James and their eldest son, and then Mrs. Hardy said as she trembling drew her husband's face near to her:

"Robert, do you still have that impression concerning the time left you here to live? Do you still think this week is to be the end?"

Mrs. Hardy had a vague hope that the shock of the accident might have destroyed the impression of the dream, but her hope was disappointed.

"My dear wife," replied Robert, "there is not the least doubt in my



"Oh, she is dead!"

mind that my dream was a vision of what will happen. There is no question but that after Sunday I shall not be with you. This is Wednesday. How lightninglike the days have flown! How precious the moments are! How many of them I have wasted in foolish selfishness! Mary, I should go mad with the thought if I did not feel the necessity of making this week the best week of my life, only I do not know what is most important to do. If it had been seven months or even seven weeks, I might have planned more wisely. Oh, it is cruelly brief, the time! But I must make the wisest possible use of it. This accident, so unexpected, has complicated the matter. I had not reckoned on it."

How many of us do reckon on accidents? They always come into our lives with a shock. Yet it seems possible that a man who lives very close to God every day might be so ready for everything that not even the most terrible catastrophe could make much difference to his plans for daily life, least of all deprive him of his reason, as it has so often done. Robert Hardy was just beginning to realize dimly that life is not one thing, but many things, and that its importance is the importance which belongs to the character of God himself.

He began to talk calmly with his wife concerning what he would do that day and was still talking about it when James came in with a doctor, who at once went up stairs. He was just from the scene of the accident and bore marks of a hard night's work. His first glance at Clara was hard and professional, but as he looked he grew very grave, and an expression of serious surprise came over his weary face. He laid his hands on the girl's eyes and examined them, raised her hand and dropped it upon the bed again. Then turning to the father and mother, he said gently:

"You must prepare yourselves for a terrible fact resulting from the accident to your daughter. She has suffered a shock that will probably render her blind as long as she lives."

Mr. and Mrs. Hardy listened, pale faced and troubled. It was hard to think of the girl, so strong willed, so passionate and yet so capable of noble impulses and loving desires, as all her life shut up within the darkness thus. It was bitter to think of this for her. What would it be to her when she awoke to the whole consciousness of it?

The doctor spoke again slowly: "There is another thing you ought to

be prepared for. In rare cases like this it happens sometimes that a loss of hearing accompanies the loss of sight." Then, after a pause: "And with the loss of sight and hearing it is possible the peculiar shock has deprived your daughter of the power of speech. I do not know yet whether this has happened, but I prepare you for the worst."

"Blind and deaf and dumb!" murmured Mr. Hardy, while his wife sat down and buried her face in the bedclothes and sobbed. It seemed terrible to them.

The doctor, after a little further examination, said nothing more could be done at present, gave directions for certain necessary treatment and departed after giving a look at Will and Bess and prescribing for them.

Mr. Hardy went down stairs and quietly told James all that the doctors had said. To a man living on the verge of eternity, as Mr. Hardy was, there was no time for evasions or the postponing of bad news or the utterance of soft speeches.

James took the news more calmly than Mr. Hardy thought he would. It was evident he did not realize all that was meant by it.

"Can you love Clara under these conditions?" asked Mr. Hardy, looking at James with a sympathy that the young man could not help feeling.

"Yes, sir; more than ever. Why, is she not more in need of it than ever?"

"True, but what can you do with a helpless creature like that?"

"Gold help us, sir! If she were my wife now and were dependent on me, don't you think I could care for her tenderly, better than any one else in the world?"

Mr. Hardy shook his head. "This is a hard blow to me, James. I don't know just what to say yet. But it is possible the poor girl may not have to suffer all that. Let us hope the doctor is not justified in his supposition. Indeed, he said he could not tell for certain that loss of hearing and speech would follow. If it does, I cannot see how Clara can retain her reason when she recovers from the shock. James, I believe you are a good fellow. I have not forgotten my own courtship. I will not stand in the way between you and your love for Clara in anything right and reasonable. I had hoped we might have a good talk together over the matter. This accident has made it impossible for a time at least, but I confide in you as an honest, true man. We must wait for events to take shape. Meanwhile let us pray God to give us wisdom and lead us into the way we need to go."

James Caxton listened to Mr. Hardy with a feeling of astonishment. This was not the Robert Hardy he had known all his life; this was a new man. For a moment his own hopes and fears were almost lost sight of in the thought of the great change in the elder man. In a tumult of feeling he went home after begging Mrs. Hardy to send him word if Clara became worse or if there were any service he could render the family.

Robert went back up stairs, where his wife sat by the side of the injured girl.

"Mary," he said, "I must go down to the shops. You know I left word with Wellman to do what he could in the office until I could get down, but this accident has made it imperative that I be there myself. There are details the men cannot attend to. I cannot do any more here, and I must do what I can for the sufferers. God has been merciful to us, dear. Our dear ones are spared to us. Oh, when I heard Bessie's voice in that hell's pit it seemed to me God was taking pity on me for the burden I am carrying this week! And if she had been killed I do believe I should have gone mad. Pray for me, sweetheart!"

And with a kiss and embrace Robert left the house, and even in the sorrow of all her trouble Mrs. Hardy felt a great wave of joy flow through her at the thought of a love come back to her, and as she went to the window and watched the tall, strong figure swing down the street she almost felt a girl again and wondered if he would turn around and see her there and toss his hat to her as in the old days. Yes; just before he reached the corner where he had to turn he looked back up at the window, saw his wife standing there and took off his hat, with a smile, and she waved her hand at him and colored as when her Robert used to do the same thing while he was courting her.

"Two fools!" somebody says. Yes; two children of God who have seen his face and learned what all this life means. He found much to do at the shops. The accident necessitated special work. It looked to him as if he must be down there all day. There was almost a panic in the planing rooms. The air was heavy with the horror of the night before. Owing to the wreck there was more need of work in the shops than ever, but along toward noon Burns came into the office, pulling a long face and asking Mr. Hardy to step across the yard and talk to the men, who had threatened, Burns said, to do mischief if they were not given the afternoon to go down to the scene of the disaster. Mr. Hardy, with a sinking heart, rose and followed Burns into the planing rooms. He told the foreman to get the men together in the center of the room. They stopped their machines and gathered in the largest open space between the planers, and Mr. Hardy addressed them:

"What do you want? Burns tells me there is dissatisfaction. Speak out so that we may know what the trouble is."

There was an awkward pause. Then one man spoke up: "We think the company ought to give us the day off."

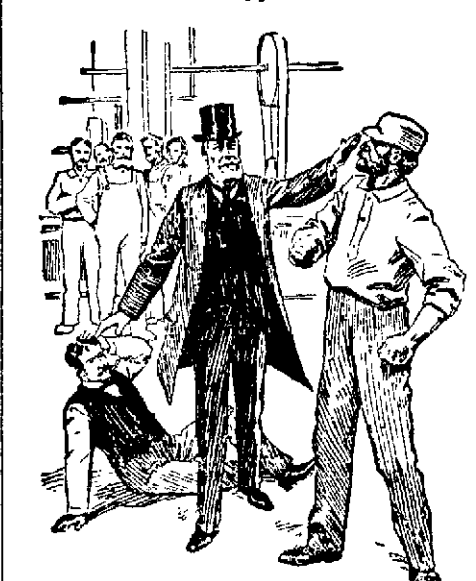
"What for?" asked Mr. Hardy mildly. Under any other circumstances he would have told the men they might leave for good if they didn't like the

pay and the company. He had done just that thing twice before, but things were different now. He looked at the men in a new light. He was a new man himself. Besides, it was imperative that the work in the shops go on. The company could ill afford to lose the work just at this particular time. All these considerations did not blind Robert to his obligations as an officer of the company. He was only anxious that no injustice should be done, so he said, "What for?" mildly and quietly and waited for an answer.

The spokesman was not quite ready with an answer. The directness of the question and the mildness of it also surprised him. Another man spoke up: "Our friends were in the accident. We want to go see them."

"Very well. How many men had relatives or friends in the accident who are injured or killed? Let them step forward."

There was a moment of inaction. Then three men stepped out. Mr. Har-



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dy said: "You may go if you want to. Why didn't you ask for leave off if you wanted it? What reason have you to suppose the company would refuse such a request? Now, what is the trouble with the rest? The company is not in a position to grant a holiday at this particular time, and you know it. Come, be fair, men! I can't shut down the shops all day to let you go and see a railroad wreck. Be reasonable! What do you want?"

"We want more pay and freedom from Sunday work," said a big fellow, the Norwegian who ran the biggest planer in the shop. He had more than once proved troublesome to Burns, but he was a remarkably intelligent and skillful workman, and the foreman had endured much irritation on that account.

Mr. Hardy replied, still speaking pleasantly, "The matter of more pay is one we cannot well discuss here now, but I will say to you and all the rest that as far as it is in my power there shall be no more Sunday work demanded."—"While I live," Mr. Hardy was on the point of saying, but he said instead, "of the men in the shops."

"Still, that is not the question," replied the man in an insolent tone. Mr. Hardy looked at him more closely and saw that he had been drinking. Several of the workmen cried out:

"Shut up, Herman! Mr. Hardy is right! We be fools to make row now at this time!"

A dozen men started for their machines to go to work again, while Burns went up and laid his hand on the Norwegian's arm and said to him roughly:

"Quit off now. You've been dipping that beard of yours into a whisky barrel. Better mind your pegs or you get your walking papers."

"Mind your own, Burns," replied the big man heavily. "You be something of a beard drinker yourself if you had the beard."

Burns was so enraged at the drunken retort that he drew back as if to strike the man, when the Norwegian smote the foreman a blow that laid him sprawling in the iron dust. Instantly Mr. Hardy stepped up between the two men before Burns could rise. We have spoken of Robert's intense horror of the coarse physical vices. It seemed totally wrong to him that a workman should degrade himself with drink. Besides, he could not tolerate such actions in the shops. He looked the drunken man in the face and said sternly:

"You are discharged! I cannot afford to employ drunken men in these shops. You may go this instant."

The man leered at Mr. Hardy, raised his arm as if to strike, when the manager confronted him with a stern look, but before he could do any harm two or three of the men seized him and hustled him back to the other end of the shops, while Burns rose, vowing vengeance.

The men went back to their machines, and Mr. Hardy, with an anxious feeling of heart, went back into the office, satisfied that there would be no trouble at the shops for the rest of the day at least. He felt sorry that he had been obliged to discharge Herman, but he felt that he had done the right thing. The company could not afford in any way to employ men who were drunkards, especially not just at this time, when it began to be more than plainly hinted that the result of the accident on the road was due to the partial intoxication of a track inspector.

That accident was a complication in Robert Hardy's seven days. It was demanding of him precious time that he longed to spend in his family. At one time in the afternoon as he worked at the office Mr. Hardy was tempted to resign his position and go home, come what might. But, to his credit be it said, even in his most selfish moments formerly he had been faithful to his duties at the office. At present no one could take his place at once. He felt that his duty to the company and to the public demanded his services at the time of a crisis in railroad matters. So he staid and worked on, praying

as he worked for his dear ones and hoping, as no bad news came from home, that Clara was better. He had been to the telephone several times and had two or three short talks with his wife, and now, as it began to grow dark in the office, just as the lights were turned on, the bell rang again, and Mrs. Hardy called him up to tell him that the minister, Mr. Jones, had called and wanted to see him about some of the families that were injured in the accident in the foundry room.

"Tell Mr. Jones I will try to see him at the meeting tonight." (In Barton the church meeting fell on Wednesday.) "And tell him I will have something to give him for what he wants. How is Clara now?"

"No change yet. Will is suffering some from nervousness. He says he had a horrible dream of the accident this afternoon. Bess is about the same. Her escape was a miracle."

"Has George come home yet?"

"No. I am getting anxious about him. I wish you would inquire about him at the Bramleys' as you come up to supper."

"I will. I must leave very soon. This has been a terrible day down here. God keep us. Goodbye."

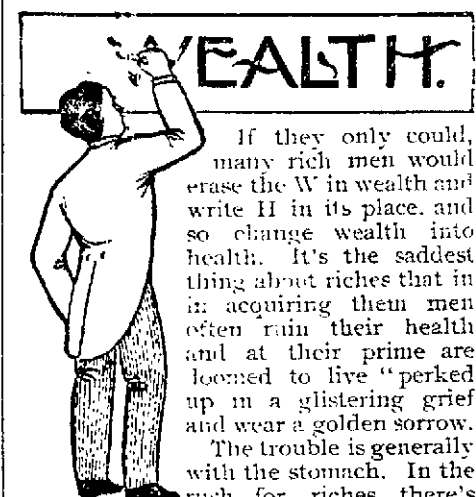
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Bonner Threw Up Sponge.

NEW YORK, April 7.—In a bout with Tommy West, of Brooklyn, the seconds of Jack Bonner, of Summit Hill, Pa., threw up the sponge in the Sixteenth round, stating that Bonner was ill.

Nominated For Congress.

WILMINGTON, O., April 7.—C. Q. Hilbrand was nominated for congress by the Republican convention in the Sixth congressional district, breaking the deadlock.



If they only could, many rich men would erase the W in wealth and write H in its place, and so change wealth into health. It's the saddest thing about riches that in acquiring them men often ruin their health and at their prime are doomed to live "perked up in a glittering grief and wear a golden sorrow. The trouble is generally with the stomach. In the rush for riches there's been no time for regularity, no consideration of right food. The stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition become diseased and then begins the bitter and varied sufferings of the man with "stomach trouble."

Yet this condition can be cured. The stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition can be restored to a normal condition of sound health. Thousands testify that Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, strengthens the stomach, nourishes the nerves and purifies the blood, that it breaks the bonds of the dyspeptic, and makes him a healthy, happy man. No alcohol, whisky or other intoxicant is contained in "Golden Medical Discovery."

I was a sufferer from what the doctors called indigestion, but after trying several eminent physicians failed to get a cure," writes Mr. Frank Michie, P. O. Box 73, Independence, Jackson Co., Mo. "Some of my symptoms were soreness in pit of stomach, fullness, tired feeling, constipation, sometimes soreness would extend to bowels. Some one recommended me to take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, which I did, and after taking only a few bottles of 'Discovery' and your 'Pleasant Pellets' can say I derived more benefit from them than from any other medicine I ever tried. I began to gain in flesh from the start. Have recommended it to others and will continue to do so."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets do not become a necessity to the system they have relieved of accumulations and obstructions.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your grocer today to show you a package of Grain-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. Grain-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. The price of coffee, 15c. and 25c. per package. Sold by all grocers.

Otto Korb, grand chancellor, K. P., Roanville, Ind., says, "DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve soothes the most delicate skin and heals the most stubborn ulcer with certain and good results." Cures piles and skin diseases. Don't buy an imitation. Rider & Snyder and Chas. W. Cupples, 139 W. Tremont.

PULLMAN PARLOR CARS.

New Run Between Cleveland and Cincinnati Over the C. A. & C. Ry.

Entirely new equipment has been added to the through car service between Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati over the Cleveland, Akron & Columbus Railway. The new equipment consists of Pullman parlor cars fresh from the famous car building establishment at Pullman.

These cars combine all the comforts of up-to-date travel. The roomy arm chairs are of a new pattern and are particularly comfortable. They are arranged in front of unusually large plate glass windows through which the dissolving scenery may be enjoyed en route. The smoking apartment is also roomy, and the ladies retiring room shows a marked improvement in size and convenience. It is fitted up with a dresser having a large plate glass mirror.

The new cars ride very smoothly. They run every day, leaving Cleveland 8:35 a. m., Akron 9:50 a. m., Orrville 10:50 a. m., arrive Columbus at 2:10 p. m., Cincinnati 5:40 p. m. Returning leave Cincinnati 8:30 a. m., Columbus 11:45 a. m., Mt. Vernon 1:15 p. m., Millersburg 2:35 p. m., Orrville 3:17 p. m., Akron 4:15 p. m., arrive Cleveland 5:40 p. m. Connection is made at Orrville for Mansfield, Crestline and Chicago, and at Columbus for Indianapolis and St. Louis.

J. I. Carson, Prothonotary, Washington, Pa., says: "I have found Kodol Dyspepsia Cure an excellent remedy in case of stomach trouble and have derived great benefit from its use." It digests what you eat and cannot fail to cure. Rider & Snyder and Charles W. Cupples, No. 139 West Tremont street.

NO GUESS WORK HERE.

All Massillon People Have to do is to Follow the Example of Fellow Citizens.

Facts are stubborn. Some may be disputed. None can be disproved. A fact is the opposite of fiction: Is always hedged about with proof. Has to stand the test of investigation. Or, it drifts to the realm of doubt. Investigate closely the following. The closer the scrutiny the more convincing the result.

A Massillon citizen speaks here. Speaks from experience and conviction.

Relates facts, stubborn facts, That may be disputed but cannot be disproved.

Mr. John Haag, blacksmith of 24 E. Charles St., says: "I was bothered for some months with a bad back, it aching a good part of the time, dull and steady. It extended up into the shoulder blade and compelled me to tire or give out before the day's work was done. Slight colds, shoeing a horse, stooping at any other work affected it and it became so irksome that I often felt like giving up work on about every job I took. Well, I repaired the trouble by taking Doan's Kidney Pills. I heard of them and went to the nearest drug store and got a box. It was only a short time before they commenced taking effect and they cured me in a few days afterward. I have not felt anything of it since and I believe they made a sure job of it. This is why I advise people that have their kidneys out of order to give Doan's Kidney Pills a trial. They will repair the damage." Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name Doan's, and take no substitute.

The Massillon Market.

The following prices are paid by Massillon merchants today:

GRAIN, HAY, STRAW AND WOOL.	
Wheat (old)	79
Hay, per ton	10 00 to 12 00
Straw, per ton	5 00
Corn	35-40
Oats	24-25
Clover Seed	4 00-4 25
Timothy Seed	1 25-1 30
Rye, per bu.	40
Barley	40
Flax seed	1 25
Wool	15 to 18

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Potatoes, (new) per bushel	40
Beets, per bushel	50
Apples	1 00
Cabbage, per pound	02
Evaporated apples	08 to 10
White beans	1 50
Onions	65

BUTTER, EGGS AND POULTRY.

Butter	18-20
Eggs	10
Chickens, live, per pound	06
Chickens, dressed	10
Turkeys, live	09
Turkeys, dressed	12

MEATS AND CHEESE.

Ham	09
Shoulder	05
Lard	06
Sides	06 to 07
Cheese	11

The following are retail prices:
Bran, per 100 lbs. 35
Middlings per 100 lbs. 90

TODAY'S MARKETS.

Latest Reports From the Centers of Trade.

The following tables show the fluctuations of stock, as reported by T. E. Drake's exchange:

BANK STATEMENT.	
Reserve decreased	\$ 1,881,800
Loans increased	12,854,300
Specie increased	2,492,400
Deposits increased	744,000
Circulation increased	14,670,000

NEW YORK.

Open-High-Low-Close			
Item	High	Low	Close
American Sugar	115	116 1/2	114 1/2
American Tobacco	108 1/2	109 1/2	107 1/2
Amalgam (Pb.)	72 1/2	73 1/2	73
C. B. & Q.	181 1/2	182 1/2	181 1/2
Federal Steel	49 1/2	49 1/2	49
U. S. Leather (pdf)	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2
Mansfield	97 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2
Missouri Pacific	52 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2
Louisville & Nashville	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2
Northern Pacific (pdf)	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2

CHICAGO, April 7.—[By

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Discovered This Week by Independent Investigators.

A son has been born to Prof. and Mrs. Thomas Hart, in Paul street.

J. A. Beattie, of Pittsburg, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Graybill.

Mrs. Thomas Morgan, of Canal Fulton, is the guest of relatives in this city.

Miss Grace W. Bailey, of Painesville, is the guest of Miss Webb, in East Main street.

John Smith and daughter have returned from a visit with relatives in Barberton.

Mrs. Mary J. Benedict, of Akron, is visiting at the home of W. D. Benedict, in North East street.

Captain and Mrs. List, of Wooster, were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. D. S. Gardner, on Friday.

The ladies of the First M. E. church will hold an Easter exchange in the church parlors next Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Ananias Harper, of New Philadelphia, is visiting at the home of her father, Daniel Camp, south of the city.

Milton Shanklin has accepted a position in Schworm Bros. grocery store, taking the place vacated by the resignation of Alfred Rose.

Work was commenced, on Thursday, on the great beet sugar plant at Fremont. It will cost \$500,000, and will be completed in time to take care of this year's crop of beets.

Arda Roberts and Miss Martha Wilson, of this city, were married at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moore, in North Mill street, on Thursday evening, by the Rev. F. H. Simpson.

David Davis, a Pennsylvania railway brakeman, sustained an injured knee at Alliance on Friday. He is now at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Davis, in West Main street.

The Pennsylvania now has 2281 loco motives and 85,103 cars. The Pennsylvania lines have 1013 locomotives and 54,236 cars, so that together they represent a system with 3291 locomotives and 139,327 cars.

Michael Neisinger and Max Kueffler are now completing arrangements for a European trip. They will leave in June. The Paris exposition will be taken in, and considerable time will be spent in various parts of Germany.

Oscar Davis, aged ten years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Davis, of 277 West Main street, fell upon a sharp piece of iron, while playing at his home Saturday morning, sustaining a painful wound. Dr. Hattery attended the boy.

The village council of Shreve, Wayne county, has been enjoined from entering into a contract for the electric lighting of that town, for which \$54 per year per arc light was to be paid. Offers are made to furnish light at \$40 per lamp, and fraud on the part of the council is charged.

The condition of Mrs. Moses Clay, who sustained serious injuries by falling from an interurban car in this city several days ago, is so far improved as to permit her removal from the residence of Dr. Kirkland to her home, north of Massillon, Thursday morning. The removal was effected in Willaman's ambulance.

J. P. Burton, Jr., T. F. Gertz, J. C. Streeter and F. W. Kohl, who represented Massillon coal companies at a conference of miners and operators at New Philadelphia, returned last evening, a dead work scale for sub-district No. 5, which is composed of Belmont, Harrison, Carroll, Jefferson and Tuscarawas counties, was arranged. The meeting lasted four days.

The Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias, of East Liverpool, expect to hold a competitive drill on July 4, and arrangements are now being made to that effect. It is the intention to put up several cash prizes, and between \$600 and \$800 is needed. Companies from surrounding towns in Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania are expected to be there, and also from Pittsburg, Youngstown and Cleveland.

Township Trustee Elsass saw the remarkable individual who told the Massillon officers he was a tramp and that he was proud of it, at the infirmary yesterday. The man was in a state of compulsory cleanliness. His injured feet still cause him much trouble, but it is expected that he will have recovered entirely physically by the latter part of next week. He will probably be sent to some insane asylum. The man refuses to tell anything about himself, and nothing has as yet been learned from any other source.

Colonel Vultrath, of the Eighth U. S. G., in a recent order says: "Discipline being the object of military organization, practices antagonistic to that object must be avoided. From and after the date of these orders, no member of this command, while in uniform, shall, except in the discharge of military duty, enter any place known as a 'saloon,' in which intoxicants are sold as a beverage." He further forbids the use of intoxicants in any of the armories, and all officers are charged with the enforcement of the orders.

The sixteenth annual reunion of the survivors of the Sultana, and the thirty-fifth anniversary of that disaster, will be held in the G. A. R. hall, Canton, May 1 and 2, at 10:30 a. m. The committee having the arrangements in hand has arranged for a trip to the Massillon state hospital, and possibly one to the Deuber watch works, as special features for the entertainment of the veterans. All survivors and friends are invited to attend. John Winkleman, a resident of Massillon, is one of the few survivors of the disaster.

Examinations under the Boxwell law will be held April 21 and May 19. For the convenience of applicants the board of school examiners has arranged to hold

the examinations at different places in the county. On Saturday, April 21, the examination will be conducted at Alliance, Canton and Massillon, and on May 19 at Hartsville, Canton and Navarre. All pupils of the district schools who are properly prepared and desire to continue their education beyond the elementary stage are urged to take advantage of the provisions of this law.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Wiseman celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary at their home, 25 Cecil street, Saturday. About fifty were seated at the dinner table. The Rev. J. I. Wilson delivered a congratulatory address. Mrs. Wiseman was formerly Miss Louisa Leutz, of Wilmet. The out of town guests are: Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Grant and son, J. J. Leutz, J. F. Leutz, Miss Pot Leutz, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Leutz and Mrs. Robert Shanower and children, of Wilmet; Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Leutz and children and Mrs. Fred Zellers, of Canton; I. N. Leutz, of Canal Dover, and Mrs. Mary Rider, of Navarre.

NEARBY TOWN NEWS

NEWMAN NOTES.

NEWMAN, April 5.—John Shrock, after residing on the Lorin Wise farm for a long time, moved his effects last week to near Justus, where he has purchased a farm.

The miners' holiday last Saturday was duly observed by all our mines except the Krause mine.

Republican county primary election next Saturday reminds one of the stories in the New York Ledger "to be continued" and has a tendency to crowd the people, too many elections coming in such a short time, but we should remember that it is a duty we owe to our country as well as our friends.

The free rural mail delivery is again agitating the minds of Republicans along the contemplated route. The object is apparent.

Our local dramatic company gave an entertainment in the North Lawrence opera house last Saturday evening to a large and attentive audience who gave all evidence of being highly pleased with the performance, and the company is thankful to their friends for their patronage. The proceeds netted about twenty dollars.

Cyrus Myers, of North Lawrence, is making quite a success as an auctioneer; he is having a number of sales and was called to take charge of one last Saturday at Smoketown.

Work continues good at all the mines, and the substantial advance gained by the recent settlement, and now in force since April 1st, gives the miner more encouragement to follow his daily toil.

Township trustees and road supervisors should give the public roads their immediate attention, and as soon as they dry off a little running the big scraper over them would make a big improvement. Trustees of Tuscarawas township please take notice and permit some work to be done on your portion of the road between this place and Massillon.

The election last Monday passed off in good order, all the contests being conducted in a friendly manner. The Republicans carried the precinct for the entire ticket, notwithstanding the desperate effort put forth by the Democratic candidates. Wm. Findley, who was elected trustee, feels under many obligations to his many friends for the magnificent support given him, and his expense account under the Garfield law shows that not one cent was expended for his election. Using the Geo. H. Pendleton tactics of leaving his interests in the hands of his friends, they were well taken care of. James Gainey was elected assessor for this precinct and William Noot made a phenomenal run for supervisor. All the successful candidates will meet at Canal Fulton Friday afternoon, and be sworn in to enter upon the duties of their respective offices and to file their bonds.

A LETTER FROM MANILA.

CRYSTAL SPRING, April 6.—Charles Farmer, of Company E, Twenty-second infantry, now in the Philippines, writes, under date of February 11th, to Harris Smith, as follows:

"Well, Smithy, I was glad to hear from you. This leaves me pretty well, but still in the hospital. It will soon be eleven months since I entered this institution. I underwent another surgical operation on the 5th of December. My bullet wound is healed up but remains sore inside. Indications at present are such that will prevent me from doing duty any more. I have not drawn clothing since March, 1899. I have no use for it. Fighting is still going on here, but no large battles take place as at first. There are other islands to be taken yet. This is not the only one, but is the largest of them all."

"The Fortieth regulars will embark within a few days for the islands, where none of our soldiers have as yet been. These islands are said to be very nice, and are 400 miles from Manila. There is talk of the First regulars going back to the states in a short time, but it will not be as soon as some think."

Mr. Farmer enclosed a photograph of himself taken in his hospital garb. He is looking well, considering his confinement of a year in the hospital, the result of being hit by a Mauser two weeks after landing on the islands. He expects to be discharged and will then return to Millport, where resided previous to his enlistment.

Wm. Leonard is an aspirant as a delegate to the Republican congressional convention to be held in Alliance. "Cy" is a good man, and would be a suitable delegate to represent Jackson township.

THE INDEPENDENT'S agent was in this community last week, and judging from the increase in the subscription list, he must have been successful.

A man and woman hailing from the "Tenderloin" district of Canton, gave a performance in a local hall Saturday night. The audience became dissatisfied with the show and very near all left

the hall saying unkind words of praise for the troupe. The few youngsters who remained to witness the "old jaw bone" hurled beans and shelled corn at the performers. The attraction was as dangerous as "Sapho."

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Myers, a daughter, and to Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Bremkamp, a son.

The Shamrock mine has been idle the past week on account of an overflow of water. North Massillon, Eureka and Herbrook mines are working everyday.

WEST LEBANON, April 7.—Edmund Snyder and family, who have occupied the Blacksten farm, just west of the village, for six years, moved to a farm near Canton last week. While living here they made many friends, who join in extending their best wishes to them in their new home. Miss Nettie has written a poem concerning the Blacksten farm, from which the following interesting lines are taken:

We hate to leave you, neighbors,
You are all so kind and true;
No matter where you go, dear friends,
We will always think of you.

Your churches and your Sabbath schools
We cherish in our hearts.
But so it is ordained on earth
That the best of friends must part.

Although we move away,
We never more to dread,
Our Heavenly Father promised
To give His children bread.

And we will put our trust in Him,
Wishing no one harm,
But always have a fond respect
For the friends near Blacksten farm.

AFFAIRS OF MINERS

Convention Adjourns on Friday Evening.

IN HANDS OF COMMITTEE.

Miners' Officials to Act in Conjunction with Day Laborers in the Settlement of Their Difficulty—Massillon Miners Decided to Have a Monthly Holiday.

Representatives of the outside day laborers employed at the Massillon mines, after an all-day session in the Trades and Labor Assembly hall, Friday, appointed a committee to act in conjunction with the miners' officers of the district, and then adjourned. It was agreed that T. L. Lewis, national vice president of the United Mine Workers of America, should be requested to come to the district and assist in straightening out matters. The committee appointed is composed of Daniel Swihart and J. Keniray, engineers, and S. W. Jackson, Ira McFarren and L. G. Daily, top men.

Those who were present at the meeting on Friday were J. H. Thomas, of Rhodes; O. S. Clark, Newman; J. Miner, Crystal Spring; C. Stump, Manchester; S. W. Jackson, North Lawrence; J. Keniray, Canal Fulton; William Morgan, East Greenville; J. Stitz, East Greenville; J. Adley, Navarre; J. Reese, Standwood; A. Crouse, Crystal Spring; Robert Legg, East Greenville; J. A. Deffe, Navarre.

It is claimed that although it was understood that outside day laborers should receive an advance of twenty per cent. in wages few have been given more than fifteen per cent., and a number declare that they have been given no advance whatever. The establishment of a uniform scale for outside labor one of the committee's objects in view.

THE MINERS' HOLIDAY.

At the miners' state convention it was agreed that each district of the state should set aside one day in each month on which the men should meet to discuss questions of interest and importance to their craft. The Massillon district miners have decided upon the second Saturday of each month. The plan is that a meeting shall be held in each of the towns of the district every month, and that a mass meeting shall take place in Massillon semi-annually or annually. Every mine in the Massillon district will be idle next Saturday. In obtaining this monthly holiday the miners claim they have taken a step in advance of other labor organizations, all of whom, if they meet at all, do so at night or on Sunday.

THE LAST MEETING.

Township Trustees Allow a Sheep Claim and Adjourn Sine Die.

The last business of the present board of township trustees, in session at this place today, was to allow \$73 to George Shilling, who claims that dogs damaged his sheep flock to that extent. The new board will organize on Tuesday, when L. P. Slusser, who succeeds Cyrus Smith, will take the oath of office.

W. H. Shipman, Beardley, Minn., under oath, says he suffered from dyspepsia for twenty years. Doctors and dieting gave but little relief. Finally he used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and now eats what he likes and as much as he wants, and he feels like a new man. It digests what you eat. Rider & Snyder and C. W. Cupples, 139 West Tremont street.

Noted Healer in Town.

The greatest healer of modern times is Banner Salve, for cuts, wounds, sores, piles and all skin diseases. Guaranteed. Rider & Snyder.

LaGrippe coughs often continue for months and sometimes lead to fatal results after the patient is supposed to have passed the danger point. Foley's Honey and Tar affords positive protection and security from these coughs. Rider & Snyder.

What Two Cents Will Do.

It will bring relief to sufferers from asthma or consumption, even the worst cases. This is about what one dose of Foley's Honey and Tar costs. Isn't it worth a trial? Take no substitute. Rider & Snyder.

FOR THE TWO YEARS

Asylum Allowed \$100,000 for Construction.

IT IS NOT HALF ENOUGH.

But it is the Best That can be Done While There are Maumee Swamp Lands That Need Filling—Other News Concerning the Massillon Institution.

Superintendent H. C. Eyman was this morning notified that the Massillon state hospital, in the 1901 appropriation bill, in the House at Columbus, is down for a total of \$205,000, of which \$50,000 is for construction. The appropriation for 1900 also includes \$50,000 for construction, so that the total amount for building purposes is \$100,000.

Dr. Eyman says that the board will meet on Tuesday to make arrangements for advertising bids for the erection of the new assembly hall. This will cost \$50,000, all the money that will be spent for buildings this year. Next year \$50,000 will be invested in two new cottages. The appropriation is not what the institution ought to have, but as the Toledo centennial gets \$750,000, there must be cutting in some quarters. Mr. Griffin, of Toledo, a member of the finance committee, the strongest supporter of the bill to appropriate \$1,000,000 to the centennial, was bitterly opposed to allowing the Massillon institution anything for construction. An increase of \$60,000 was allowed in the current expense fund of the institution, and an increase of \$2,000 in the salary fund. An addition to the staff of physicians and the employment of other assistants will become necessary as the institution's patients increase in number.

The Rev. W. J. Price, who conducted a series of temperance meetings in Massillon during the winter, was a visitor at the institution on Saturday, from here going to Fostoria. The condition of the unfortunate of the insane asylum, many of whom were driven thither by drink or other transgressions of nature's laws, Mr. Price considers one of the strongest arguments in favor of temperance. "When the day of judgment comes," said he, at the asylum Friday, "someone will be brought to account for the suffering of these people. The men who are directly connected with the sinful traffic which ruins men's intellects and those who countenance it, in church and out, will then see how vainly they have lived."

During the week large quantities of garden seeds arrived, and the force will be set to work planting as soon as there is assurance that spring has really come. The ploughing and harrowing are now being done. A large number of rose bushes have been shipped here from Springfield. These will not be set for some time.

Harold Clark has issued the first copy of "The Maniac." He wrote it all himself. The most remarkable feature of the journal as well as the most interesting to people about the institution is the announcement that "communications from insane persons only will be printed; we have made arrangements for a number of special papers by the officials of the institution." The paper is the size of a handkerchief, and the subscription rate is one barrel of potatoes per year. The last edition was of one copy, but its readers numbered hundreds.

The gold brick and the green goods merchants never pretended to do any business with the attaches of the institution, but lately an investment company has been working hard to bring asylum dollars its way. Circulars are received frequently and in large numbers at the institution, but no one has yet been bitten. Last winter some of the employees took stock in what proved to be a "fake" mining concern, and this experience has been a warning to all.

The maple trees of the grounds have been run dry. Harold Clark gave quarter to none of them. They were forced to produce to the last drop, and he and his friends made merry over the production.

People visiting the institution between 4 and 5 o'clock in the afternoon wonder what the fifty or sixty women they see moving from place to place are about. This is the daily walk of the patients employed in the laundry and kitchen. They spend a half hour in the fresh air before supper.

The Rev. F. D. Findley, of Mansfield, a brother of Assistant Superintendent Findley, visited the institution during the week.

Mr. Esterly, whose duty is to conduct the public through the institution, is enjoying his vacation, a part of which he will spend in Alliance. Mr. Eberwein is working in his place.

Charles Heines, the gardener, is seriously ill with rheumatism.

"I think DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the best pills in the world," says W. E. Lake, Happy Creek, Va. They remove all obstructions of the liver and bowels, act quickly and never gripe. Rider & Snyder and Chas. W. Cupples, 139 W. Tremont.

A wheelman's tool bag isn't complete without a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Heals cuts, bruises, stings, sprains. Monarch over pain.

After LaGrippe—What?

Usually a racking cough and a general feeling of weakness. Foley's Honey and Tar is guaranteed to cure the "grippe cough" and make you strong and well. Rider & Snyder.



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Any physician will tell you that the vast majority of the diseases, and sicknesses that humanity suffers are caused either directly or indirectly by the kidneys. They seem to be that fountain head from which the little stream of disease begins that eventually makes a wreck of the constitution and ends in death.

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Kid-ne-oids are little yellow tablets, easy to take, but wonderful in results. They are never sold in less quantities than a box of 50 cents. The first dose often makes you feel better at once. A repetition of the dose will eventually restore health to your kidneys.

Morrow's Liverax cures constipation, biliousness and costiveness. Sells for 25 cents a box at all drug stores. Kid-ne-oids and Liverax, manufactured by JOHN MORROW & CO., CHEMISTS, SPRINGFIELD, OHIO.

J. G. Knittle, Proprietor The Brunswick Hotel, Mansfield, Ohio, says: "I have been afflicted with pain across my back in the region of my kidneys, lumbago and nervous spells for a number of years. I was advised to try Morrow's Kid-ne-oids. In a very short time I was relieved of my troubles and have not been troubled with them since." At all drug stores and F. E. Seaman's.

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WANTED.

COOK at the Hotel Massillon.

ENGINEER—An experienced engineer, one who understands sand machinery preferred. Call on or address Albert M. Wetter, above 21 E. Main St., Massillon, O.

EVERYBODY to know where you can get good work done in dyeing, cleaning and repairing at lowest prices at Eagle Steam Dye Works, 12 West Tremont street.

IRL to do general housework. Inquire at 12 Akron St., Massillon.

MAN—A good all-round hand, hand at West Side Livery. Wm. Bantz, proprietor.

MAN or middle-aged man to wait upon a sick man. Apply at once to Mrs. W. S. Hays, at Millinery store.

MAN—A good steady man to drive team. Inquire of D. W. Miller, 13 Railroad St.

PARTNER—One with small capital for a good established business in Massillon. Address M. P. C., care this paper.

SALSMAN—Good, reliable salesman to sell complete line of paints, oil colors, varnishes, etc. Address, The Atlantic Enameling Co., Cleveland, O.

TO RENT—A five roomed house, not too far out, or will lease for three or five years. Address M. P. C., care Independent.

FIVE roomed house for rent, 222 East Tremont street.

FIVE roomed house on Superior street. City water. \$8 per month. Inquire of C. G. King.

HOUSE of three rooms; \$4 per month. 117 South Mill street.

HOUSE of four rooms with all modern conveniences. Inquire at 65 Elm St.

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STOREROOM in the Beatty block, in East Main street, formerly occupied by the Milleronian. Inquire of H. T. Beatty, agent.

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ABAGAN in lots at Dunn's office, over 50 S. Erie street.

COLLARETTE—A lady's collarette on Massillon and Millersburg road. Owner can have same by calling at this office, paying for this ad and proving property.

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LOST

LOVE—A fur glove. Finder return to H. V. Kramer's barn.

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